

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 136 OF 2006

Sheshanath Puran Puri. ...Applicant
V/s.
The State of Maharashtra. ...Respondent

Mr.G.A. Prasanna with Mr.Sudeep Pashola for Applicant.
Ms.S.U. Gajre, APP for the State.

CORAM : V.M. KANADE, J.

DATED : JANUARY 30, 2006

P.C. :-

. Heard learned Counsel for the applicant and learned APP for the State.

. The applicant is a security guard who had obtained a license for the purchasing a fire arms. This license was sent for verification to the C.A. at Mumbai which after verification was found it a fake license. The license was allegedly issued by the Nagaland State which had baned issuing the license in 1987.

2. It is submitted that the applicant was himself a victim of the fraud which was perpetuated to him by the people in the business of issuing fake licenses. He

submitted that if he had known about the said fake license, he would not have applied for verification of the arms licence. It is submitted that the documents in this case have already been seized by the prosecution and the investigation is almost over. Since the allegation against the applicant is pertaining to submitted documents which were fake documents, the entire case deposed on the documentary evidence, in my view, the applicant is entitled to be released on bail.

3. The applicant, therefore, be released on bail in the sum of Rs.5000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount. The applicant shall report to Bhandup Police Station, once in a month in connection with C.R.No.303/2005 for the offence punishable under Sections 468, 471, 474 read with 420 of the IPC and under Sections 3 and 25 of the Arms Act.

. The application is disposed of in the above terms.

(V.M. KANADE, J.)